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1. The FDJ Whitsunday Rally in Berlin will have the following as its main objects.

- a. to demand the evacuation of the Western Sectors by the Allies;
- b. to intimidate the civilian population and administration;
- c. to spread propaganda by the SED;
- d. to instruct and "revolutionise" the participants from Western Germany;
- e. to incite sharp Press reactions abroad, and particularly in the United States;
- f. the conquest by force of Western Berlin is "to be hinted at, or at least not denied".

2. The following schedule has been prepared:

- a. 27 May: Reception for foreign visitors and functionaries from the West, including a speech by Wilhelm Pieck and a broadcast.

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3. The Central Committee of the FDJ expects that 600,000 will take part in the rally, including 40,000 from Western Germany. They are to be brought to Berlin by special

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trains [] Elbe and Havel steamers. All owners of cars [] in the Soviet Zone will be liable by law to make their vehicles available. They are to be lodged in tents in Wuhlheide, Treptow and in Eastern Sector barracks. West German and foreign delegates will be billeted privately; all hotels will be requisitioned.* Scale 3 ration cards for two days will be issued to all participants on arrival. The Central office will be Leipzigerstrasse 5 (Soviet Sector).

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4. The following preparatory training for the rally has been organized:

- a. Week-end courses for all participants; two weeks' instruction in Kreis schools for lesser functionaries; six weeks' course in Land schools for higher functionaries; immediate instruction for chief functionaries at the Karl Marx Parteihochschule.
- b. Instruction will cover the economic and political situation in Eastern and Western Berlin; the history and town plan of Greater Berlin; traffic regulations; the technique of processions; giving orders; discussions with opponents (particularly concerning the significance of elections, democracy and unemployment).
- c. In eight special camps at Zella Mehlis, Grossenhain, Potsdam, Güstrow, Bitterfeld, Frankfurt/Oder, Saarow-Pieskow and Bernau (Soviet Zone) courses will be given on the following subjects: field telephones, radio reception, police organization, post offices, airfields, the Allied authorities, the major industries in the West sectors, port installations, railway stations and warehouses. These courses will only be attended by graduates of the Parteihochschule and specially selected functionaries of the Central Committee. Instruction will be given by generals of the Volkspolizei and chief inspectors of Police.
- d. Ideological propaganda will be spread through the increased use of radio, press, meetings, schools, and sport rallies, with particular emphasis on the historical significance of the rally.

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* Comment: [] accommodation must be found in Treptow for 70,000. [] this will be impossible to find since the existing population of Treptow is only 120,000.

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